

PART A: PHONETICS

Choose the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others. Write A, B, C or D on the answer sheet. (0.5 point)

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| 1. A. commit | B. ancient | C. index | D. preview |
| 2. A. design | B. pattern | C. balloon | D. provide |
| 3. A. instrument | B. inflation | C. confidence | D. satellite |
| 4. A. medical | B. poisonous | C. interesting | D. important |
| 5. A. generally | B. obviously | C. surprisingly | D. excellently |

PART B: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following sentences. Write A, B, C or D on the answer sheet. (2.0 points)

- We bought some _____ sunglasses.
A. lovely new round German B. lovely German round new
C. lovely round new German D. lovely round German new
- _____, he would have been able to pass the exam.
A. Had he studied more B. Studying more C. If he studied more D. If he were studying more
- The factory is said _____ in a fire two years ago.
A. to be destroyed B. to have destroyed C. to destroy D. to have been destroyed
- Look! All the lights in his room are off. He _____ right now.
A. may be sleeping B. must be sleeping C. might be sleeping D. must have been sleeping
- Johan and Mai are at Lan's birthday party.
- Johan: "That's a beautiful dress you are wearing!"
- Mai: "_____"
A. Can I have it? B. It's in the wash. C. Oh, no, not really. D. I'm glad you like it.
- We invited a number of minor _____.
A. celebrations B. celebrated C. celebrates D. celebrities
- Is it necessary that I _____ here tomorrow?
A. am being B. will be C. be D. would be
- Don't count your _____ before they're hatched.
A. ducklings B. chickens C. puppies D. birds
- In recent years, she has appeared in public _____ frequently.
A. less B. little C. few D. fewer
- There is a huge gap between the rich and _____ poor in this country.

- A. Ø (no article) B. an C. a D. the

11. Mrs Hoa and Mr Long are talking about teaching soft skills at school.

- Mrs. Hoa: "Some soft skills should be taught to children."

- Mr. Long: "_____. They are necessary for them."

- A. I don't either B. I agree with you C. You're quite wrong D. You're welcome

12. My grandmother has _____ a yoga club since she retired from work.

- A. taken up B. turned up C. looked up D. brought up

13. Medicine _____ in the pharmacy on the ground floor is cheap and good.

- A. bought B. is buying C. buying D. is bought

14. It is high time we had to _____ some measures to protect endangered animals.

- A. hold B. bring C. use D. take

15. He got the highest mark in the exam last week. He must have studied hard, _____?

- A. must he B. mustn't he C. hasn't he D. has he

16. Her health has improved in _____

- A. leaps and bounds B. spick and span C. odds and ends D. thick and thin

17. Laura didn't enjoy her first year at college because she failed to _____ her new friends.

- A. come in for B. get on with C. go down with D. look down on

18. Just _____ Mai! Let's think about this for a moment because it is an important decision to make.

- A. hold your horses B. keep your chin up
C. let sleeping dogs lie D. bend over backwards

19. She's exhausted. It is clear that the pressure of long hours at work has bad effects _____ her health.

- A. at B. in C. of D. on

20. To buy this product, you must pay half of the money _____, and pay the rest on the day of delivery.

- A. in advance B. in cheque C. in cash D. in charge

II. Choose the word or phrase which is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined one in each of the following sentences. Write A, B, C or D on the answer sheet. (0.3 point)

1. Students from that university have conducted a survey to find out the most effective study habits.

- A. organized B. delayed C. encouraged D. proposed

2. I take my hat off to all those people who worked hard to get the contract.

- A. encourage B. congratulate C. respect D. welcome

3. To keep up with new developments and technology, modern people need to implement lifelong learning all the time.

- A. come up with B. get on with C. face up with D. catch up with

III. Choose the word or phrase which is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word in each of the following sentences. Write A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet. (0.2 point)

1. Moving to a new house is a very stressful experience.

- A. relaxing B. practical C. painful D. tense

2. It is dangerous that a lot of people in this business think they have to stab each other in the back to succeed.

- A. hurt each other B. defeat each other C. support each other D. remove each other

IV. Supply the appropriate form of the words in the brackets. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (1 point)

1. _____ is a serious problem in many countries. (EMPLOY)

2. The shells are so hard and they are virtually _____. (DESTROY)

3. The heroine had a _____ love affair with the butcher. **(PASSION)**
4. As the day of the exam approached, he became understandably _____. **(NERVE)**
5. He dedicated his life to _____ the cause of world peace. **(FAR)**
6. Many rural areas in Viet Nam have been _____ in the past few years. **(URBAN)**
7. One of the most studied of all “kitchen cures”, ginger has been used _____ for millennia. **(MEDICINE)**
8. The _____ of natural resources is becoming inadequate for the support of increasing population. **(PLACE)**
9. A recent study carried out by researchers at University of Warwick claims to show _____ that money can buy you happiness. **(CONCLUDE)**
10. His method was to include the _____ of moods and apprehensions as well as images and incidents. **(REMEMBER)**